

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4576, DOD Appropriations FY 2001.

The House passed H.R. 1102, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act.

The House passed H.R. 4118, Russian-American Trust and Cooperation Act.

The House passed H.R. 2634, Drug Addiction Treatment Act.

House committees ordered reported 12 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7173–S7301

Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2888–2894. **Page S7229**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
Received on Tuesday, July 18, 2000:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation To Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2001." (S. Rept. No. 106–346)

Page S7160 (Record of 7–18–00)

Received today:

S. 1912, to facilitate the growth of electronic commerce and enable the electronic commerce market to continue its current growth rate and realize its full potential, to signal strong support of the electronic commerce market by promoting its use within Federal government agencies and small and medium-sized businesses. (S. Rept. No. 106–349)

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Measures Passed:

Jewish Community Center Attack: Senate agreed to S. Res. 329, urging the Government of Argentina to pursue and punish those responsible for the 1994 attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7279–80**

Burns (for L. Chafee) Amendment No. 3939, to make a technical amendment. **Page S7280**

Burns (for L. Chafee) Amendment No. 3940, to make technical amendments to the preamble.

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Abduction of Nadia Dabbagh: Senate agreed to S. Res. 239, expressing the sense of the Senate that Nadia Dabbagh, who was abducted from the United

States, should be returned home to her mother, Ms. Maureen Dabbagh. **Page S7280**

Conditions in Laos: Senate agreed to S. Res. 309, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding conditions in Laos. **Pages S7280–81**

Iranian Baba'i Emancipation: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 57, concerning the emancipation of the Iranian Baha'i community. **Pages S7281–82**

U.S. Nonrecognition Policy Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 122, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the United States nonrecognition policy of the Soviet takeover of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and calling for positive steps to promote a peaceful and democratic future for the Baltic region. **Page S7282**

Northern Europe Cross-Border Cooperation: Senate passed H.R. 4249, to foster cross-border cooperation and environmental cleanup in Northern Europe, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7282**

Burma Free Elections Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 113, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Pages S7282–83**

Haiti Free Elections: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 126, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should support free and fair elections and respect for democracy in Haiti. **Pages S7283–84**

Prisoners of War in Iraq: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 124, expressing the sense of the Congress with regard to Iraq's failure to provide the fullest possible accounting of United States Navy Commander Michael Scott Speicher and prisoners of war from Kuwait and nine other nations in violation of

international agreements, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7284–85**

Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3941, to make certain improvements to the resolution.

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3942, to amend the preamble.

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3943, to amend the title.

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Small Business Innovation Research Program Reauthorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 2392, to amend the Small Business Act to extend the authorization for the Small Business Innovation Research Program, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Bond) Amendment No. 3944, in the nature of a substitute.

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Timbisha Shoshone Homeland Act: Senate passed S. 2101, to provide to the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe a permanent land base within its aboriginal homeland, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3945, to make certain improvements to the bill.

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Reports Consolidation Act: Senate passed S. 2712, to amend chapter 35 of title 31, United States Code, to authorize the consolidation of certain financial and performance management reports required of Federal agencies.

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Federal Law Enforcement Animal Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1791, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for harming animals used in Federal law enforcement, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act: Senate passed H.R. 707, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3946, in the nature of a substitute.

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Agriculture Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4461, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, as amended, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 216), Cochran/Kohl Amendment No. 3927 (to Amendment No. 3925), to modify amendment relating to Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, 2001.

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By 74 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 217), Jeffords Amendment No. 3925, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to allow importation of covered products.

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Pending:

Reid (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3938, to prohibit the use of appropriated funds to label, mark, stamp, or tag as “inspected and passed” meat, meat products, poultry, or poultry products that do not meet microbiological performance standards established by the Secretary of Agriculture.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, July 20, 2000.

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Text of H.R. 4578, as Previously Passed:

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Privileges of the Floor:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—217)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:08 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. Thursday, July 20, 2000. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7301.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.